



Docket 17006CO

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: AOKI et al.

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For: METHODS FOR TREATING NEUROMUSCULAR
DISORDERS WITH BOTULINUM TOXIN
TYPES A AND B

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**This response cancels claims 4 and 16-19 and amends
claims 1 and 11-12. See pages 9-10 of this response.**

REMARKS

I. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

The May 17, 2002 office action in this application was a final office action (the "Office Action"). This response is filed with a Request for Continued Examination and the examiner is therefore asked to withdraw the finality of the Office Action and to enter this response.

II. The Office Action

The May 17, 2002 *final* office action (the "Office Action") in this application: